# Limits and new directions in PID

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### **Reach of the present PID techniques**



- TOF & dE/dx cover the lowest momentum range.
- TRD is useful for the electron identification at higher momenta.
- **RICH technique is clearly superior to all other methods.**

# **Major limit: experimental conditions**

### **SuperB & BelleII:**

### - L ~ $10^{36}$ cm<sup>-2</sup> sec<sup>-1</sup>

- Total neutron doses:  $\sim 10^{12}$  /cm<sup>2</sup> after 10 years
- Total Gamma doses :  $\sim 5x10^{11}$  /cm<sup>2</sup>
- Total charged particle doses :  ${\sim}5x10^{11}\,/cm^2$
- Bhabha rate per entire detector: ~100 kHz

## **LHC ATLAS central region**

- Total neutron doses:  ${\sim}10^{14}/{cm^2}~~after~10~years$
- Total charged particle doses :  ${\sim}10~MRads$
- Total charged particle rate :  ${\sim}10^5/cm^2\,sec$
- Total photon rate :  ${\sim}10^6/cm^2\,sec$
- Total neutron rate :  ${\sim}10^6/cm^2\,sec$

(~1 m from IP)

### ALICE Pb + Pb collisions:

- Multiplicity of tracks: ~10,000/event
- Rate: ~50-100 Hz/cm<sup>2</sup>

### LHC pp diffractive scattering - L ~ 10<sup>34</sup> cm<sup>-2</sup> sec<sup>-1</sup>

- Total neutron doses:  $\sim 10^{12}$ /cm<sup>2</sup>/year (???)
- Total charged particle doses:  $\sim 10^{14}$  /cm<sup>2</sup>/year
- Proton rate in the inner radiator: ~10-15 MHz/cm<sup>2</sup>
- Total charge: < 30 C/cm<sup>2</sup>/year in worst pixel
- Expected current:  $< 3.3 \ \mu A/cm^2$  in worst pixel (fro



Can we improve the classical dE/dx technique by the cluster counting method ?

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### **BaBar DCH dE/dx performance**

M.Kelsey, SuperB workshop, Hawaii, Jan. 2004

 $n = 30, t = 1.2 \text{ cm}, 80\%\text{He} + 20\%\text{iC}_4\text{H}_{10}, 1 \text{ bar}$ 



- A good p/K performance up to ~ 0.7 GeV/c.
- Can this be improved by using the cluster counting between 0.7 and 1.5 GeV/c ?

## dE/dx PID technique

### $N_{\sigma} = \left[ dE/dx(m_1) - dE/dx(m_2) \right] / \sigma(dE/dx)$

### Bethe-Bloch were first to calculate it in 1930's



- Not much we can do about dE/dx curve.
- The only chance is to improve the resolution  $\sigma$ .

### **Cluster counting**

Original idea to use cluster counting for dE/dx PID by A.Walenta, IEEE NS-26, 73(1979), others studies: Lapique, F. Piuz, A. Breskin's group, etc. - all doing it with a Time-Expansion-Chamber (TEC).

### **Use He-based gases:**

He:  $5.5 \pm 0.9$  clusters/cm iC<sub>4</sub>H<sub>10</sub>: 70 ± 12 clusters/cm

G. Cataldi et al., NIM A 386 (1997) 458-469

What do we expect from cluster counting ?  $N_{primary} \sim 15/cm$  at 1 bar in 95% He+5% iC<sub>4</sub>H<sub>10</sub> gas: FWHM/ dE/dx<sub>most probable</sub> = 2.35  $\sqrt{(N_{primary})/N_{primary}} \sim 60\%$ 

Note: in a SuperB drift cell in the <u>forward</u> direction one expects :  $N_{primary} \sim 35/2.6$ cm-long drift cell => FWHM/(dE/dx) ~2.35 $\sqrt{N_{primary_ions}}/N_{primary_ions} \sim 40\%$ .

### • So far nobody has succeeded to do this in a large experiment.

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### **KLOE drift chamber R&D**

G. Cataldi, F. Grancagnolo, S. Spagnolo, Nucl. Instr.&Meth A 386 (1997) 458-469



### <u>The conclusion of KLOE R&D:</u>

- Preamplifier BW: ~ 500MHz BW
- sampling rate: ~1.25 GSa/sec
- Memory depth: ~2-3 µsec !!!
- ADC dynamical range: 8 bits

## **Prediction for SuperB in** *forward direction*

J. Va'vra, RICH 2010, Cassis, France

#### ~1.8 m flight path in forward direction:



• A combination of the cluster counting plus a "cheap" TOF counter with a ~100ps resolution is good enough solution for the forward PID at SuperB.

# TOF

Can we make a new breakthrough by using new fast detectors ?

#### **Detector candidates:**

- Multi-gap glass RPCs = MRPC
- MCP-PMTs
- G-APDs (Other names: SiPM, SiPMT, MGPD, MRS-APD, PSiPs, SPM, MPPC, ...)

### **TOF PID technique**

**Principle is simple:** 

 $\Delta t = (L_{path}/c) * (1/\beta_1 - 1/\beta_2) = (L_{path}/c) * [\sqrt{(1 + (m_1 c/p)^2)} - \sqrt{(1 + (m_2 c/p)^2)}] = 0$ 

 $\sim (L_{path}c/2p^2) * (m_1^2 - m_2^2)$ 

Therefore expected particle separation:

$$N_{\sigma} = [(L_{path}c/2p^2) * (m_1^2 - m_2^2)] / \sigma_{Total}$$

Example of contributions to the timing resolution:

$$\sigma_{\text{Total}} \sim \sqrt{\left[ \left(\sigma_{\text{TTS}} / \sqrt{N_{\text{pe}}}\right)^2 + \left(\sigma_{\text{Chromatic}} / \sqrt{N_{\text{pe}}}\right)^2 + \sigma_{\text{Electronics}}^2 + \sigma_{\text{Track}}^2 + \sigma_{\text{Total}}^2 \right]}$$

 $\sigma_{\text{Electronics}}$  - electronics contribution

 $\sigma_{\text{Chromatic}}$  - chromatic term = f (photon path length)

 $\sigma_{TTS}$  - transit time spread

 $\sigma_{\text{Track}}$  - timing error due to track length L<sub>path</sub>

 $\sigma_{T0}$  - start time (In SuperB or Belle II machines it is dominated by the bunch length to >20ps) etc.

### New R&D effort: 24 MRPC gaps

C. Williams, talk in Orsay, 2009 and private discussion at CERN, 2010.

#### 24-gaps/MRPC:



#### Test beam results: resolution per single MRPC



- 24 active gaps/MRPC
- Gap size: 160 μm
- ~ 14% of r.l.
- Pad readout
- Max. possible rate ≤ 1 kHz/cm<sup>2</sup>

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#### **Idea of this detector:**

- High gain operation.
- To prevent sparking make very tiny gaps to stop avalanche growth.
- Electron has to be produced very near cathode to get a large enough signal.
- To get a high overall efficiency one needs many gaps.
- C.Williams thinks that the limit is ~10ps.
- J. Va'vra, R&D workshop, Fermilab

### **CBM experiment at FAIR**

CBM MRPCs, http://cbm-wiki.gsi.de/cgi-bin/view/Public/PublicTof.

Chrenkov Detector Station Statione Vertex Detector Depole magnet

12-gap design:





• They are developing MRPCs with multiple stripline readout to reduce the channel count.

# TTS timing resolution obtained in the present commercial MCP-PMTs

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#### Present commercially available MCP-PMT detectors:



MCP-PMT	# of	MCP	Hole	QE	Photocathode	TTS	Risetime
	anodes	size	[µm]	[%]		[ps]	[ps]
HPK-6	1	¢11mm	6	26	Multi-alkali	~11 +	<150 +
HPK-10	1	¢25mm	10	26	Multi-alkali	<35 <sup>a</sup>	< 200
HPK SL-10	4	22x22	10	24	Multi-alkali	$< 30^{\rm a}$ , $< 32^{\rm c}$	<200 <sup>a</sup>
BINP-6	1	φ18mm	6	18	Multi-alkali	<27 °	< 200
Photonis-10	64	49x49	10	24	Bi-alkali	< 30 <sup>b</sup> , $< 32$ <sup>f</sup>	<400 <sup>f</sup>
Photonis-25	64	49x49	25	24	Bi-alkali	$<$ 40 $^{\rm e}$ , $<$ 40 $^{\rm f}$ , $<$ 37 $^{\rm c}$	$< 400 { m f}$
Photek-210	1	φ10mm	3.2	30	Multi-alkali	<b>33</b> <sup>d</sup> , <b>16</b> <sup>f</sup> , <b>14</b> <sup>*</sup>	~81 *
Photek-240	1	40mm	10	30	Multi-alkali	<b>&lt;40-45</b> <sup>d</sup>	~180 *

Hamamastu data<sup>+</sup>, K. Inami<sup>a</sup>, J. Va'vra<sup>b</sup>, A. Lehman<sup>c</sup>, A.Rozhnin<sup>d</sup>, S. Korpar<sup>e</sup>, A. Brandt<sup>f</sup>

### • Major present questions/limitations:

- cost, aging, rate limitation, difficulty to get tubes with 10µm pores, geometrical limitations, systematics of the setup, cross-talk, electronics

# Timing resolution obtained in the beam with quartz radiator

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#### - Quartz radiator

- Both a radiator and the MCP-PMT located in the beam (entering perpendicularly to MCP face)

#### Present commercially available MCP-PMT detectors:



MCP-PMT	# of	Gain	Hole	Window	Radiator	Npe	Resolution
	anodes		dia.	thickness	length		[ps]
			[µm]	[mm]	[mm]		
HPK-6	1	~106	6	3	10	$\sim 80$	~ 6.2 <sup>a</sup>
Photonis-10	64	$\sim 2x10^4$	10	2	10	~ 35	~ 14.0 <sup>b</sup>
Photonis-25	64	~10 <sup>6</sup>	25	2	6	~30	~ 13.9 <sup>b</sup>
Photek-240	1	~10 <sup>6</sup>	10	9.6	0	70-80	~ 7.7 °
Photek-210	1	~106	3.2	5.6	0	45-50	~ 12 °
Photonis-25	64	~106	25	2	0	~15	~37 <sup>d</sup>

K. Inami et al.<sup>a</sup>, J. Va'vra et al.<sup>b</sup>, A.Rozhnin et al.<sup>c</sup>, S. Korpar et al.<sup>d</sup>

#### • Major questions/limitations when using these detectors on a large scale:

- cost, aging, rate limitation, difficulty to get tubes with 10µm pores, geometrical limitations, systematics of the setup, cross-talk, electronics

## High gain vs. low gain operation

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Low gain operation:

#### High gain operation:



#### To get a good timing one needs a total charge of at least 6-8x10<sup>5</sup> electrons:

#### 1) <u>High gain</u> (operation sensitive to a single pe):

- One can use even 3 mm thick radiator, and still get a good result.

#### 2) <u>Low gain</u> (operation is not sensitive to a single pe):

- Motivated by rate and aging problems at SuperB factory due to a large single photoelectron background.
- Main disadvantage of this approach is that the resolution degrades very rapidly as Npe goes down for shorter radiator length. One needs at least 10 mm radiator length plus 2 mm window thickness to get a good resolution at low gain.

### Too soon to think about a pixilated TOF ?

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- Low enough gain (2-3 x 10<sup>4</sup>) to be insensitive to single photoelectron background, i.e., detect only <u>charged tracks</u>.
- Fused silica radiator thick enough to produce N<sub>total</sub> ~ 6-8 x 10<sup>5</sup> electrons/track to get a sufficient S/N ratio for good timing.
- This detector, unfortunately, will not happen at SuperB as these MCP-PMTs are too expensive at present.

### **MCP-PMT Relative efficiency to Photonis XP2262B**

C. Field, T. Hadig, D.W.G.S. Leith, G. Mazaheri, B. Ratcliff, J. Schwiening, J. Uher, and J. Va'vra, Nucl.Instr. & Meth., A553(2005)96-106



• Relative photon detection efficiency (PDE) to 2" dia. Photonis XP2262/B is only < 50%, if one takes into account only in-time hits.

### **MCP-PMT:** Gain = f(magnetic field)

A. Lehman, RICH 2010, Cassis, France

#### Panda magnetic field: 2T



- 25µm tube perhaps good enough up to 1T.
- Photonis 10µm tube might work at 2T, if you are willing to then at a maximum voltage, which may not be smart thing to do in a large system.
- Hamamatsu R10754 tube may work at 2T.

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### **MCP-PMT: sensitivity to angles**

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PMT-axis

B-field

#### **Photonis MCP-PMT:**



#### Hamamatsu MCP-PMT:



### • A significant loss of gain at high B-field and for large angles.

### **MCP-PMT: Rate and aging limitations**

A. Lehman, RICH 2010, Cassis, France

#### **Rate capability:**

#### **QE aging:**



- MCP-PMTs seem to be able to handle 200-300 kHz/cm<sup>2</sup> at a gain of 10<sup>6</sup>.
- Photocathode aging is a wavelength dependent.

### **Beam tests with G-APD in Fermilab**

A. Ronzhin, M. G. Albrow, M. Demarteau, S. Los, S. Malik, A. Pronko, E. Ramberg, A. Zatserklyaniy, Fermilab



• <u>Timing start</u>: G-APD (Hamamatsu MPPC, radiator is fused silica, 3x3 mm<sup>2</sup> and 30 mm long, all surfaces polished)

**<u>Timing stop</u>**: Photek 240 (radiator is the MCP window, 9.6 mm thick).

- The MPPC time resolution is <15 ps assuming the Photek 240 time resolution is 7.7 ps. Small pulse height cuts and slewing correction applied.
- 120 GeV protons used for the test. Normal incidence.
- <u>Attention has to be paid to ΔT & ΔV stability</u>: 11.5ps/0.5°C & 6.2ps/10mV !!

### Simple pixilated TOF counter with $\sigma \sim 100 \text{ps}$

J. Va'vra (test & analysis), K. Nishimura (DAQ issues), A. Rozhnin (provided 4x4 SiPMT array), S. Los (PC-board)



- To obtain these results, one has to use a CRT 3D tracking, ADC corrections, E > 1.5 GeV
- SuperB Forward TOF: Can we just glue G-APD array to LYSO crystals from the front ?
- The only problem: the cost of 4 x 4 G-APD array is too high at the moment (\$3.5k/piece) 10/8/2010 J. Va'vra, R&D workshop, Fermilab

### **Today I got this e-mail from Hamamatsu**

#### Hi Jerry,

we are planning to release a monolithic version of the 4x4 MPPC. The pricing should come down drastically because it is a solid state device and price scales with volumes. The PET/MRI industry is very interested in purchasing a high volume of these detectors.

I believe that at the 5000 piece price we will be either very close to being a factor of 10 less expensive. For example I looked at some current quotes. The S11064 at one piece is roughly \$3100 (with academic discount). It drops down to roughly \$1250 a piece at 100 pieces and down to \$650 at 1000 pieces. Therefore, the "5k pieces" price will be very close to your target price of \$350.00 per piece. Please let me know if you need an official quote. I have also attached a drawing of our new monolithic 4x4 MPPC device. Feel free to let me know if you have any questions.

Best Regards, William

#### 4x4 G-APD monolithic array:



# Cherenkov detectors

**DIRC-like RICH detectors are blooming** 

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### **Refraction index**

J. Va'vra, The 42-nd workshop on Supercolliders, Erice, Sicily, Italy, 2003, SLAC-PUB-11019



- The Cherenkov light theory can be described by only one constant: n = n(E).
- It also provides limits: number of photons, chromatic behavior, etc.
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### **Examples of Cherenkov angles and Npe**

 $\cos \theta_{\rm c} = 1 / \beta n(\lambda)$ 

$$Npe = 370 L \int \sin^2 \theta_c (E) \Pi_i \varepsilon_i (E) dE$$
  
~ L N<sub>o</sub> sin<sup>2</sup>  $\theta_c$ 

Npe - number of photoelectrons, L - radiator thickness,  $\varepsilon_i$  - various detection efficiencies

Radiator type	Refraction index n	$     \theta_{c} (max) $ ( $\beta = 1$ )	$\Delta \theta_{c} = \theta_{c}(\pi) - \theta_{c}(\mathbf{K})$ [mrad]	Npe / cm (No = 50 & $\beta$ = 1)
Aerogel (SiO <sub>2</sub> )	1.05	309 mrad	22.8 @ 4 GeV/c	4.6
Solid Quartz (SiO <sub>2</sub> )	1.47	823 mrad	6.5 @ 4 GeV/c	27
H <sub>2</sub> O	1.34	728 mrad	7.9 @ 4 GeV/c	22
$C_5F_{12}$ gas at 1 bar	1.0017	58.3 mrad	2.6 @ 10 GeV/c	0.17
He gas at 1 bar	1.00004	8.9 mrad	1.4 @ 100 GeV/c	0.004

- $N_0$  is a measure of quality of the optical system and a detector performance.
- $N_0 \sim 20$  -100 cm<sup>-1</sup> typically.
- $N_0$  is limited mainly by photon detection efficiency (PDE), which is typically 10-20%.

### **Threshold Cherenkov counters**

T. Ypsilantis and J. Seguinot, Theory of RICH detectors, Nucl. Instr. & Meth. A343(1994)30-51

Detectors measure Npe, but not  $\theta_c$  angle

For a given n, a particle of mass m will produce light if:  $p > p_{thr} \sim m/\sqrt{(n^2-1)}$ 

The threshold counter scaling:

 $(\sigma_{\beta}/\beta)_{\text{thr}} = \tan^2 \theta_{\text{c}}/(2\sqrt{\text{Npe}})$ 

**Example how a threshold counter:** Two aerogel radiators,  $R_1$  and  $R_2$ , with  $n_1 = 1.055$  and  $n_2 = 1.0065$ 



### **RICH = Ring Imaging Cherenkov counters**

T. Ypsilantis and J. Seguinot, Theory of RICH detectors, Nucl. Instr. & Meth. A343(1994)1-29 and T. Ypsilantis and J. Seguinot, Theory of RICH detectors, Nucl. Instr. & Meth. A343(1994)30-51

**Detectors measure**  $\theta_{c} = \arccos(1/n\beta)$ 

#### **The scaling of RICH counters:**

 $(\sigma_{\beta}/\beta)_{\text{RICH}} = \sigma_{\theta c}(\text{tot}) * \tan \theta_{c} \sim [\sigma_{\theta c}(\text{single pe})/\sqrt{\text{Npe}}] * \tan \theta_{c}$ 

 $\Rightarrow (\sigma_{\beta}/\beta)_{thr}/(\sigma_{\beta}/\beta)_{RICH} = \tan \theta_{c}/(2 \sigma_{\theta c}(tot)) > 200$  for DIRC-like RICH

RICH detectors are much more powerful PID instruments than the threshold detectors.

# **Example of RICH imaging:** (BaBar DIRC)

I. Adam et al., The DIRC PID for BaBar, Nucl. Instr. & Meth. A538(2005)281-357 DIRC = Detection of Internaly Reflected Cherenkov (Light)





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### **Resolution of RICH detectors:** $\sigma_{\theta c}$ (tot)

B. Ratcliff, Trieste RICH conference, 2008, Nucl. Instr. & Meth. A595(2000)1-7

 $\sigma_{\theta c}(tot) \sim \sigma_{\theta c}(single \ photoelectron) / \sqrt{N_{pe}} \oplus \sigma_{\theta c}(track \ systematics)$ 

 $\sigma_{\theta c}(\text{single photoelectron}) = \sqrt{[\sigma_{\theta c}^2(\text{chromatic}) + \sigma_{\theta c}^2(\text{pixel}) + \sigma_{\theta c}^2(\text{imaging}) + \sigma_{\theta c}^2(\text{transport})...]}$ 

 $\sigma_{\theta c}$  (track systematics) ~ $\sqrt{[\sigma_{\theta c}^2(\text{external tracking}) + \sigma_{\theta c}^2(\text{multiple scatt.})}$ +  $\sigma_{\theta c}^2(\text{alignment errors})]$ 

where

 $N_{pe}$  - number of photoelectrons detected in a wavelength bandwidth  $\Delta\lambda$   $\sigma_{\theta c}$ (chromatic) - resolution broadening because of color dispersion:  $n = n(\lambda)$   $\sigma_{\theta c}$ (pixel) - broadening due to finite detector pixel size  $\sigma_{\theta c}$ (imaging) - effect of the imaging method (lens, mirrors, etc.)  $\sigma_{\theta c}$ (transport) - applicable only to DIRC-like counters (otherwise negligible)

- To get smallest possible  $\sigma_{\theta c}(tot)$ , one should maximize  $N_{pe}$  and minimize all error contributions.
- In practical counters  $\sigma_{\theta c}(tot)$  is typically between 0.1 and 2 mrads. 10/8/2010 J. Va'vra, R&D workshop, Fermilab

## "Ideal" PID separation

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 $N_{\sigma} = [\theta_{c}(m_{1}) - \theta_{c}(m_{2})] / \sigma_{\theta c}(tot)$  - separation in number of sigmas

~ (  $m_1^2 - m_2^2$  ) / [  $2p^2 \sigma_{\theta c}(tot) \sqrt{(n^2 - 1)}$ ] for a limiting case of  $\beta = 1$ 



- In practical counters  $\sigma_{\theta c}(tot)$  is typically between 0.1 and 2 mrads.
- Refraction index n choice:
  - <u>low index</u> is required for a <u>high momentum range</u>. Counters become very long in order to get a large enough Npe.
  - high index is required for a low momentum range



 $\sigma_{\theta c} \sim 9.6 \text{ mrads/photon}$ 

# **Ray tracing & MC simulation**

J. Va'vra, Ray tracing design plus a simulation with Mathematica, SLAC-PUB-13464 & SLAC-PUB-13763, D. Roberts, "Geant 4 model of FDIRC", SuperB meeting, Annecy, Oct. 2009



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### **TOP at Belle II**

K. Inami, RICH 2010, Cassis, France



- Initial design used a measurement of <u>x & time</u> only, where time was measured to ~40ps. Later designs added a small expansion detector volume with more detector pixels, UV filters and a mirror segmentation.
- If the timing performance will be worse than proposed, this detector will not work that well.
- Its 3D segmentation is much worse than that of the FDIRC detector, and therefore there is more sensitivity to background.
- TOP counter people do not quote a  $\theta_c$  resolution. This is because it is not very good by itself. One has to combine it with TOF in the likelihood analysis.

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- Is measuring TOP & α<sub>x</sub> sufficient ?
- Putting numbers into the above equation:  $L_{path} = 2 \text{ m}$ ,  $\sigma_{TTS} \sim 40 \text{ ps}$ ,  $\sigma(n_g)/n_g \sim 0.013$  for Bialkali photocathode (see lecture I),  $\sigma(TOP)/TOP \sim 0.0039$ , and  $\sigma(\alpha_x) \sim 0.005$ , one obtains  $\sigma_{\theta c} \sim 15 \text{ mrads}$  for Lpath > 1.5 meters.
- <u>This is not good enough.</u> Therefore, proponents suggested: (a) use red-sensitive photocathodes, such as GaAsP, to reduce the chromatic error, (b) a UV filter to cut off low wavelengths, (c) add a mirror segmentation, which is a "cheap way" to do the y-pixillization (measurement of α<sub>y</sub>), and (d) use the counter as a TOF counter to separate the particles.

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### **PANDA DIRC-like detectors**

C. Schwarz, RICH 2010, Cassis, France

Front view:

fused silica

antiprotor

1m

#### PANDA Barrel DIRC



#### PANDA endcap RICH:

Hardware dispersion correction:



- PANDA Barrel DIRC is similar to what we want to do with FDIRC for SuperB. They have advantage that they can start from scratch, we had to marry the optics to the existing bar boxes. Oil may create problems.
- The chromatic correction is made in hardware for endcap RICH.
- This is to be compared to FDIRC, where we plan to do this correction by timing (red photons go faster than blue photons).

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## **SuperB DIRC-like TOF**

J.Va'vra, "Forward TOF for SuperB", http://agenda.infn.it/conferenceDisplay.py?confId=1161, Perugia, June 2009 L. Burmistrov, N. Arnaud, O. Bezshyyko, H. Dolinskaya, A.Perez, A. Stocchi, and J.Va'vra, SuperB R&D

$$\sigma_{\text{Total}} \sim \sqrt{\left[\sigma_{\text{Electronics}}^{2} + \left(\sigma_{\text{Chromatic}} / \sqrt{(\epsilon_{\text{Geometrical_loss}} * N_{\text{pe}})^{2} + \left(\sigma_{\text{TTS}} / \sqrt{\epsilon} * N_{\text{pe}}\right)^{2} + \sigma_{\text{Track}}^{2} + \sigma_{\text{detector coupling to bar}}^{2} + \sigma_{\text{to}}^{2}\right]}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_{\text{Electronics}} & - \text{ electronics contribution} \sim 5\text{-10 ps (waveform sampling digitizer WaveCatcher)} \\ \sigma_{\text{Chromatic}} & - \text{ chromatic term = f (photon path length)} \sim 10\text{-25 (Geant 4)} \\ \sigma_{\text{TTS}} & - \text{ transit time spread} \sim 35\text{-40 ps} \\ \sigma_{\text{Track}} & - \text{ timing error due to track length } L_{\text{path}} (\text{poor tracking in the forward direction }) \sim 5\text{-20 ps (Fast Sim)} \\ \sigma_{\text{detector coupling to bar}} - \text{ timing error due to detector coupling to the bar} \sim 1\text{-20 ps (Fast Sim)} \\ \sigma_{\text{to}} & - \text{ start time dominated by the SuperB crossing bunch length} \sim 15\text{-20 ps} \end{aligned}$$

#### MC simulation:

#### **MC results:**

- The total time resolution will be between <u>30-40 ps</u>
- <u>Npe > 5</u> photoelectrons at present, aiming for 10.

#### **On-going test in the cosmic ray telescope (CRT):**

- 16 channels equipped with the WaveCatcher electronics
- Start/stop provided by the MCP-PMT.







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### **TORCH: DIRC-like detector**

M. Charles and R. Forty, RICH 2010, Cassis, France

#### **TORCH = TOF** wall in LHCb



- TORCH is a novel rather challenging TOF detector for LHCb application.
- Simulation indicates a  $\pi/K$  separation up to ~8 GeV/c.

### **Other RICH applications**

T. Ypsilantis and J. Seguinot, Theory of RICH detectors, Nucl. Instr. & Meth. A343(1994)30-51

 $\theta_c = \arccos[1/(n \beta)] = \arccos(1/n * E/p) = \arccos[1/n * \sqrt{(p^2 + m^2/p)}]$ 

 $\mathbf{m} = \mathbf{p} \sqrt{(\mathbf{n}^2 \cos^2 \theta_c - 1)}$  - RICH counters measure mass, if you know p &  $\theta_c$ 

 $\sigma_{\rm p}/p = \gamma^2 * \sigma_{\beta}/\beta = \gamma^2 * \sigma_{\theta c}(\text{tot}) * \text{tg }\theta_{\rm c}$  - fractional error in momentum p => <u>RICH detector can measure a momentum !!</u>

Kravchenko et al., Budker Inst., Novosibirsk, RICH 2010, Cassis, France:



# Summary

- The dE/dx "cluster counting" technique <u>might</u> be tried in a real experiment such as SuperB. It is, however, a significant challenge.
- TOF technique is progressing a lot thanks to new developments in (a) MRPCs, (b) MCP-PMTs and (c) G-APDs.
- However, larger scale applications of MCP-PMTs and G-APD arrays are limited by their present cost. One reason why the MRPC detectors have developed so quickly is that they are cheap and easy to make. We hear the news that the G-APD array price will come down significantly.
- Therefore the new R&D program to develop MCP-PMTs at the U. of Chicago, Argonne Natl. lab, and Berkeley Space Science lab is a very important step. I hope it will bring the price down.
- I understand A. Brandt is also pushing another avenue to develop MCP-PMTs with Photonis & Arradiance. The approval is pending, I understand.
- DIRC-like detectors are blooming.